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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 29 November 2001.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-12 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1,2,7 and 8 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☒ Claim(s) 3-6 and 9-12 is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

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Attachment(s)

- 1) ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- 3) ☐ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08)
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- 4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)
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- 5) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
- 6) ☐ Other: _____

DETAILED ACTION

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

1. The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

2. Claims 1-2, and 7-8 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Isberg et al. (U.S. Patent No.: 6,246,891, hereinafter, "Isberg") in view of Martin et al. (U.S. Patent No.: 5,983,119, hereinafter, "Martin").

Regarding claims 1 and 7, Isberg teaches a wireless mobile station comprising (see figure 1):

a radio circuitry capable of up-converting a baseband signal to produce an output RF signal (see figure 1, radio circuitry 10, col.2, ln.10-12);

a removable antenna coupled to the radio circuitry for transmitting the output RF signal (see figure 1, removable antenna 2, radio circuitry 10, col.2, ln.15-20) ;

a power supply capable of supplying power to the radio circuitry (see figure 1, power 13, radio circuitry 10, col.2, ln.28-34); and

switching circuitry associated with the removable antenna capable of providing a first conduction path between the power supply and the radio circuitry (see figure 1, switch 12, removable antenna 2, power 13, col.2, ln.28-33), such that when the removable antenna is connected to the wireless mobile station, the first conduction path

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is closed and power is supplied to the radio circuitry from the power supply (see figure 1, when the antenna does not remove from the mobile, the power will supply to the radio circuitry and the phone is active) and when the antenna is disconnected from the wireless mobile station, the first conduction path is opened and the power is not supplied to the radio circuitry from the power supply (see figure 1, when the antenna remove from the mobile, the switch 12 is turn off, then there is no power supply to the radio circuitry and the phone is inactive, col.2, ln.6-38).

It should be noticed that Isberg fails to clearly teach the antenna couple to the transceiver. However, Martin teaches such features (see figure 2, antenna 120, transceiver 114, col.3, ln.64-67) for a purpose of transmitting and receiving the RF signals.

Therefore, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the invention was made to incorporate the use of the antenna couple to the transceiver, as taught by Martin, into view of Isberg in order to transmit and receive RF signals.

Regarding claims 2 and 8, Isberg further teaches the wireless mobile station wherein disconnection of the removable antenna from the wireless mobile station is highly visible to an observer (see figure 1, removable antenna 2, lid 3, col.2, ln.21-27).

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 3-6, and 9-12 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Conclusion

8. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure. In order to expedite the prosecution of this application, the applicants are also requested to consider the following references. Although Kaschke (U.S. Patent No. 5,898,933), Phillips (U.S. Patent No. 5,987,311), Takeyasu (U.S. Patent No. 5,497,506), and Horii (Pub. No.: U.S. 2002/0022504) are not applied into this Office Action; they are also called to Applicants attention. They may be used in future Office Action(s). These references are also concerned for supporting the system and method for enabling a keypad in response to antenna extention.

9. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to **Tuan A. Pham** whose telephone number is (703) 305-4987. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Friday, 8:00 AM-5:00 PM.

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